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Burns International Security
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Dear [Redacted]:

Many thanks for your warm welcome in your letter of March 13, 1975. I am very happy to be assigned here in Richmond and agree with you that the "living is good in Richmond."

I do plan to be with you at the Society's luncheon meeting on Thursday, March 27th. I am looking forward to this because I like to keep in touch with the former Agents of the FBI. I am enclosing background information concerning me which you may find useful at the luncheon meeting.

I look forward to seeing you at Noon on March 27th.

Sincerely,

JAMES E. DECKER
Special Agent in Charge

Enclosure

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March 13, 1975

SAC James Decker
Federal Bureau of Investigation
P. O. Box 12325
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Dear Jim:

On behalf of the Richmond Chapter of the Society of Former Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, I would like to welcome you and ASAC Gray Brockman to Richmond because "when you're living in Richmond, you're living good".

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I understand from society member [redacted] that you graciously accepted his invitation to attend the next society luncheon meeting on Thursday, March 27, 1975 and that you also accepted on behalf of Gray Brockman. The meeting will be held at 12:30 pm at Byram's Restaurant, 3215 West Broad Street, Richmond.

It would be appreciated if you would speak to the membership as to recent developments in the bureau as well as introducing Gray Brockman and providing us with his background.

If agreeable with you I shall pick you and Gray up in front of your office on Grace Street at approximately noon at which time if you would have available for me your biography sketch, I will do my best to introduce you to the membership. It is extremely difficult to estimate the number of members who will attend but generally it ranges between 15-20.

In the event that I can be of any service to you to adjust to the Richmond way of living, I shall consider it a pleasure to do so.

cc: [redacted]

Manager

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THE STATLER-HILTON HOTEL, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10001

Suite 118A 212-947-5765

December 5, 1975

TO ALL SAC's -- FBI:

Gentlemen:

Attached for your information is a copy of my President Letter sent to all former Special Agents of the FBI as members of the Society.

The letter contains a recap of the Bureau's testimony before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence.

Should you receive inquiries from concerned former Special Agents, please feel free to refer to this information.

Sincerely,

Ralph H. Jones
Ralph H. Jones,
President

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Dear Member:

Submitted are the names of applicants who have applied for membership in the Society. It is requested that your carefully study this list and in the event you possess any information bearing adversely upon the character or reputation of any of the applicants which you believe would render them unfit for membership in the Society, please communicate with me NOT LATER THAN 10 DAYS after receipt of this letter. All communications are treated confidentially.



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All communications received from you concerning any of the above-named applicants will be kept confidential.

Sincerely,

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Chairman, Membership Committee

December 5, 1975

Dear Society Members:

In beginning this first Presidential Letter to you, may I thank you for the great honor and privilege you have bestowed upon me to serve you during 1975-76 as President. I believe there is a job to be done, and have chosen as a theme in keeping with the Bicentennial Year, "Keep the Spirit of '76". As I noted at our great Houston Convention, I feel it is time to rededicate ourselves as citizens and former FBI Agents to our country; polish up our patriotism — and where necessary, in good judgment, let the world know we are not ashamed and we are proud to be an American.

Recent events and the expressed deep concern of many former agents prompts me to furnish Society members with a recap of Bureau testimony before the U.S. Senate Select Committee on Intelligence. The following is a synopsis, unadulterated, of some of the major items covered. It is hoped your careful review of this information will refresh and strengthen your conviction that as American citizens who have served in the FBI, we stand on our record of solid accomplishments which were achieved through a policy of fairness and in the interest of all people, the law abiding citizen as well as the criminal, and resent the unwarranted and baseless attacks on the policies, procedures and personnel of the FBI.

Many former Special Agents have written sincere, well tailored letters of concern to their Congressmen.

SENATE INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE TESTIMONY RECAP:

Counterintelligence programs conducted by the FBI between the years 1956 and 1971 continue to be of considerable interest to Congressional committees in spite of the fact that the November 18, 1974, release of the Attorney General stated, "The overwhelming bulk of these activities were clearly legitimate and proper undertakings, within scope of the FBI's ongoing responsibilities and are listed as 'Cointelpro' activities only because they were reported as such." The Department of Justice also concluded that as a result of their review of the activities at that time they found no basis for any criminal prosecutive action against FBI personnel involved.

This subject was again addressed by the United States Senate Select Committee on Intelligence during a hearing on November 19, 1975, at which time Deputy Associate Director James B. Adams testified in excess of three hours, which session was publicly televised. Some areas of the country gave rather extensive coverage of the hearing; however, in some instances only selected portions of the testimony were presented with primary concentration on improprieties which occurred. For that reason, it is felt that the membership may be interested in some of the highlights of Mr. Adams' testimony.

He emphatically pointed out that the Cointelpro operations were designed to counter conspiratorial efforts of revolutionary elements as well as to neutralize extremists of both the left and right who were threatening and fomenting violence. There were approximately thirty-two hundred actions proposed and only twenty-three hundred approved in the five basic programs, clearly evidencing the degree of control maintained over the program. The initial program was concerned with the Communist Party, USA, which was designed to foment factionalism and neutralize the effectiveness of the Party in the United States. In fact, over fifty-nine percent of all actions approved in the basic programs were concerned with the Communist Party, USA. When asked as to whether any positive results were obtained, Mr. Adams pointed out that the effectiveness of the Communist Party, USA, in the United States was neutralized and this is an organization which the Congress of the United States and the Supreme Court of the United States have both recognized as being controlled and dominated by the Soviet Union.

In answer to a question as to whether there was any statutory authority for the FBI to engage in such activities, Mr. Adams admitted that there was no specific statutory authority, however, pointed out that FBI employees acted in a good-faith belief that their actions were proper and within the scope of their authority. He stated that these employees recognized a danger to the United States, felt they had a responsibility to act, and did act. There was ample evidence of the danger since cities were being burned, colleges were being bombed, and deaths were resulting. Furthermore, in intelligence work one is never able to look around the corner and see what the ultimate effect of such activities is, and there is no way to anticipate what the end result will be if such activities are unchecked.

Insofar as feeling they had a responsibility to act, FBI employees felt comfortable in a belief that the country was expecting them to take positive action and no one had issued any instructions that they should not do what they were doing, even though Presidents, members of Congress and Attorneys General were aware to varying extents that the FBI was taking aggressive action to neutralize violence.

Mr. Adams admitted that the counterintelligence programs themselves were intended to be secret in order to be effective; however, rather complete details were made available after the fact to various Attorneys General and to the Appropriations Committee insofar as the Communist Party, USA, and the Ku Klux Klan were concerned. He displayed printed, public testimony of Mr. Hoover before various appropriations committees during these periods which clearly showed the FBI was aggressively investigating the Communist Party, the Socialist Workers Party, the Venceremos Brigade, New Left groups, Black extremists, white hate groups, student agitators, and other similar organizations. This printed testimony was mailed out to members of the press, the public and in fact the whole world knew we were investigating these organizations.

It was pointed out by Mr. Adams that the problem which arises is the fact that the FBI does not have clear statutory guidelines in this particular area, and as a result of responding to Congressional and public demands to do something about the disorders of prior years the FBI now finds it is being criticized for the actions taken. In other words, the FBI was damned if it did and damned if it didn't. Therefore, the FBI eagerly looks forward to cooperating with the Attorney General and the Congress in order to draft guidelines which will clearly delineate the proper role of the FBI in the internal security field. He pointed out, however, that these guidelines must be flexible enough to provide for emergency action in the face of extreme threats and even the Attorney General in a speech before the American Bar Association Convention in Montreal in August, 1975, indicated the necessity to provide in limited circumstances carefully controlled FBI activity to directly intercede to prevent violence. Mr. Adams pointed out that it is fine to say that the FBI should not engage in disruptive activity, but what do you do when you have a Weatherman, who is a former science student working in a water-works, making a statement to a fellow worker that an event may transpire which will focus the attention of the world on this city. You don't have probable cause to arrest him, but should some

REGIONAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE: (Continued)

March 5, 6, 1976	Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference Marriott Convention Center Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
April 2, 3, 1976	Southeast Regional Conference Sky Center Inn Jacksonville, Florida
April 16, 17, 1976	South Central Regional Conference Broadmoor Hotel Colorado Springs, Colorado
April 23, 24, 1976	North Central Regional Conference Stouffers Cincinnati Inn Cincinnati, Ohio
May 13, 14, 15, 1976	Northeast Regional Conference Society Mid-Year Board Meeting Sheraton-Hartford Hotel Hartford, Connecticut
May 28, 29, 1976	Western Regional Conference McCormick Inn Scottsdale, Arizona
October 5-10, 1976	"The Spirit of '76" Convention Philadelphia Marriott Convention Center Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

RETIREMENT LEGISLATION:

Nearly fifty percent, or about 3,216 Society members are civil service retirees.

As President of the Society I was invited by Congressman Richard C. White to testify on November 17, 1975 before the U. S. House of Representatives Subcommittee on Retirement and Employee Benefits of the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service. Congressman White is Chairman. An urgent and favorable vote was solicited in behalf of H.R. 7531 which purports to equalize the 2 1/2% computation figure as a one time correction for retirement benefits of pre July 12, 1974 retirees who are under a 2% computation rate. The adjustment is considered important, necessary and equitable. Those interested may desire to write their congressmen regarding the status of the bill.

I pledge my best in deeds and action - welcome your suggestions for the betterment of the Society - and look toward an exciting, challenging and rewarding year.

Sincerely,



Ralph H. Jones
President

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Chairman - William A. Murphy
Vice Chairman - [redacted]

Committees have been specifically charged to be searching, innovative and look forward toward development of programs to sustain and further promote the growth and progress of the Society. It is anticipated membership will increase substantially during the year. Advice, counsel and direction will be given for increased Chapter and individual member involvement; study and recommendations made for the handling of our ever growing conventions; research undertaken to include any improvements possible in our most valuable directory publication; efforts to better communication in referral of job opportunities to members who need assistance; a continuation of Society history compilation; studies to be initiated to determine and obtain the full and maximum insurance benefits available for participating members in the insurance program; a computerization feasibility survey looking at practicability and economy in our executive office procedures; and most important the implementation of a long range program of Society assistance to the Bureau in restoring and strengthening credibility in light of recent congressional inquiries.

REGIONAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE:

All Society members are cordially invited to attend the Regional Meeting designated for their area. Dates and times are set out to accommodate your marking of personal calendars and making appropriate reservations of your choice. Regional meetings afford all an opportunity to participate in Society activities, sociability and renew old acquaintances.

January 21, 1976 Congressional Night
Dinner, Mayflower Hotel
Washington, D. C.

January 22, 1976 Executive Committee Meeting
Mayflower Hotel
Washington, D. C.

January 23, 1976 Foundation Committee Meeting
Mayflower Hotel
Washington, D. C.

action be taken to help the superintendent of waterworks get him out of a position where he might be able to take thousands of lives by poisoning the water supply?

Various members of the Committee expressed their view that such guidelines are absolutely essential to prevent abuses and offered their wholehearted cooperation in working on such guidelines.

Other issues were raised during the testimony; in particular, the FBI's investigation of Martin Luther King and efforts taken to discredit him, which actions were in the nature of Cointelpro activity although not necessarily handled within the Cointelpro file. Mr. Adams testified that the FBI had a valid basis for investigating Martin Luther King to determine the extent if communist influence being exerted upon him. He pointed out that it was not possible to discuss the information supporting that basis in public session because it would involve current sensitive ongoing operations. He stated, however, that the full details had been furnished to Senator Church and key members of the staff in a private briefing and that any further discussion would have to be in Executive Session. Mr. Adams admitted that there was not any evidence that Martin Luther King was a Communist Party member and that the FBI concern was influence on him by the Communist Party. Mr. Adams pointed out that this FBI concern was also that of the President of the United States and the Attorney General of the United States who both personally spoke with Martin Luther King regarding their concern. Further, the Attorney General, Robert Kennedy, approved the telephone surveillances on Dr. King. Mr. Adams testified that although there was justification for investigation of Dr. King, he agreed that there was no justification for a number of actions taken to discredit Dr. King. There was considerable discussion as to whether an anonymous letter mailed to Dr. King contained wording indicating he should commit suicide and Mr. Adams testified that although this was a conclusion reached by the Committee staff, he did not agree with the conclusion and that it was merely a speculation among a wide range of possibilities. Also, this letter was not recorded as any official FBI action and a draft of the letter had been discovered in the personal papers belonging to a former Bureau official subsequent to his departure and had never been entered into the official records of the FBI. Mr. Adams was pressed to furnish a motive for the actions taken to discredit Dr. King and he advised he was in no position to furnish such since the real motive would be known primarily to Mr. Hoover, who is dead, and to one or possibly two former officials, both of whom have undoubtedly been interviewed by the Committee. Furthermore, it would not be possible for Mr. Adams to speculate on motive, as any such discussion would involve matters of great privacy and delicacy which should not be discussed in public session.

Certain isolated instances were presented by the Committee, some of which were approved under the Cointelpro and others were disapproved. It was explained by Mr. Adams that the overall intent of the programs was to disrupt and neutralize the organizations rather than engage in individual harassment. In turning down such suggestions, the files did reflect specific admonitions to that effect. Certain memoranda were presented by the Committee which would give the inference that the FBI was encouraging violence between two extremist groups; however, Mr. Adams pointed out that again the files contain specific admonitions in disapproving certain actions; that they were being disapproved because of the possibility that harm might result to the individual subject. In one instance where word was received that one extremist group was planning on killing members of another extremist group the FBI notified the local authorities and the individuals involved. Finally, in all of the actions reviewed, there was not one instance where violence had occurred to a subject as the result of a Cointelpro action and no such instances had been brought to Mr. Adams' attention by the members of the Committee staff.

A discussion ensued over the use of agent provocateurs and a denial was entered that the FBI utilizes informants as agent provocateurs. FBI instructions clearly state that an informant cannot engage in any activity which would be unlawful for the Agent handler himself to perform. A problem which arises is due to the confusion which concerns the legal definition of entrapment. The Supreme Court has clearly pointed out that where a person has the willingness and the readiness to break the law, it is not entrapment if the Government provides him the opportunity. FBI rules do not

tolerate the use of agent provocateurs; however, this is not to say that mistakes in this area, as in any area, have not occurred.

Concern was expressed by the Committee as to the large number of files maintained by the FBI and the fact that millions of individuals' names are contained in these files, and that fact alone could be detrimental to the individual involved. Mr. Adams pointed out that the FBI does have six and one-half million files, many of them criminal, applicant and nonsubversive. There is not a law enforcement or intelligence agency in the world which can operate without collecting and maintaining information. In fact, there were ten million serious crimes last year in the United States and one million crimes of violence. This means that many, many names are going to be in FBI files. The problem is not the collection and maintenance of such information but the misuse of information in FBI files, and the FBI has joined the Central Intelligence Agency in requesting prompt action on legislation which would add criminal sanctions against the misuse or leaking of information in Government files. Such sanctions would go a long way toward eliminating misuse of information.

The Senate Committee indicated an awareness of the complexities involved in defining the role of the FBI in the area of domestic intelligence and internal security. It also indicated its support of appropriate Congressional oversight, which is also subscribed to by the FBI and the Department of Justice, in order to insure that the FBI properly exercises its function. Additional hearings will explore further areas of concern to the Congress.

Subsequent to the testimony of Mr. Adams, Mr. Kelley was questioned about possible disciplinary action against Agents still with the FBI who were involved in Cointelpro actions and he agreed that Agents should not be disciplined for taking part in a disruptive campaign they believed to be legal. He stated that there is no indication that any who participated knew or even thought it was illegal to do those things.

JUSTICE DEPARTMENT TO FURNISH LEGAL COUNSEL FOR SUBPOENAED FORMER SPECIAL AGENTS:

A/G Levi has consented to furnish necessary legal counsel to former Special Agents subpoenaed to testify before the current Congressional hearings. If you receive a subpoena, it is suggested you contact the legal section of the Bureau who will put you in contact with the Department.

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February 20, 1976

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MEMORANDUM TO ALL SPECIAL AGENTS IN CHARGE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

The Board of Directors of the Society of Former Special Agents of the F.B.I., Inc. has adopted a POSITION STATEMENT which has been disseminated to the

President of the United States
Vice President of the United States
Speaker Pro tempore Senate
Speaker of the House
9 Committees interested in Congress
Individual Congressmen
Attorney General

I thought you might like a copy for information and use at your option.

Please be assured we desire to be of further service to our Nation and to you in all regards.

Ralph Jones

Ralph H. Jones
President

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February 23, 1976

The Society of Former Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation was incorporated in the State of New York on July 17, 1937. It has a membership of 6,483 members within the United States and thirty-six foreign countries. Membership is open exclusively to Former FBI Agents of good moral character who served with fidelity to their oaths of office, loyalty to the service and to their fellow agents.

We are proud of our proven record of devotion and service to the United States. We are equally proud of our efforts which earned for the FBI its reputation as the foremost law enforcement agency in the world. The preservation of the security and assuring this nation's well being and freedom are of paramount concern to this Society and its members.

We are very deeply concerned with the unwarranted attacks and distorted reports of the operations of the FBI which are destroying the confidence and the respect the public has for the FBI at a time when crime is rampant and terrorist activity is increasing.

Attached is the Position Statement of this Society:

POSITION STATEMENT
OF THE
SOCIETY OF FORMER SPECIAL AGENTS
OF THE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

THE MASSIVE VOLUME OF ONE SIDED ADVERSE CRITICISM OF THE FBI EMANATING THROUGH THE NEWS MEDIA AT THE HANDS OF JOURNALISTIC OPPORTUNISTS AND IRRESPONSIBLE POLITICIANS IS A THREAT TO THE SECURITY OF THE UNITED STATES.

WE URGE THAT CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS NOT BE A FORUM FOR UNWARRANTED, BASELESS ATTACKS ON THE POLICIES, PROCEDURES AND PERSONNEL OF THE FBI.

WE REQUEST THE PRESS AND THE OTHER FORMS OF MEDIA TO REPORT THE PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES FACTUALLY AND OBJECTIVELY, FREE OF BIAS OR PERSONAL OPINION.

WE RECOGNIZE THE VALUE OF CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM OF FBI ACTIVITIES AND THE NECESSITY FOR CLEAR, REASONABLE LEGISLATIVE GUIDELINES. THESE GUIDELINES MUST NOT ARBITRARILY RESTRICT THE FBI IN DISCHARGING ITS INVESTIGATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES AS EXPECTED BY THE PEOPLE UNDER THE FEDERAL JUDICIAL SYSTEM AND IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE UNITED STATES.

WE THEREFORE CAUTION THAT CONGRESS EXERCISE GREAT CARE IN THE DESIGN OF THE LEGISLATIVE GUIDELINES AND OFFER THE EXPERIENCE OF THE MEMBERS OF THIS SOCIETY AS AN ASSISTANCE.

WE BELIEVE THE THINKING AMERICAN PUBLIC DEMANDS A STRONG, EFFECTIVE INTELLIGENCE GATHERING CAPABILITY ADEQUATELY MANNED AND SUFFICIENTLY AGGRESSIVE TO PROTECT THE SECURITY OF THIS NATION AGAINST DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN THREATS.

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE DEDICATION AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THIS NATION OF JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR OF THE FBI FROM 1924-1972; WHO, GUIDED BY THE HIGHEST MOTIVES, CREATED STANDARDS OF EXCELLENCE WHICH ARE LEGEND IN ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT.

WE COMMEND THE LEADERSHIP OF THE FBI UNDER DIRECTOR CLARENCE M. KELLEY AND ASSURE OUR CONTINUED SOLID COOPERATION AND SUPPORT.

UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS DULY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY.

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July 15, 1976

Dear Special Agent In Charge:

The enclosed copy of my letter to Director Clarence M. Kelley adequately explains the stand the Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI has taken on current developments as reported in the media.

It seems to us that the most constructive step we could take is to see to it that both the Former Special Agents and those still on duty in the Bureau have the very best of legal talent capable of developing all of the facts necessary to put everything in its true perspective.

The Executive Committee of the Society has suggested the possibility that Special Agents now in the field will wish to participate.

The Committee is not suggesting anything in the nature of a subscription; only gifts from those Special Agents who share their concern that these men have adequate financing for their defense. Those who feel so inclined could mail their gift to:

The Special Agents Legal Fund
Security National Bank
2000 M Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

using a return address at which any unused amount can be refunded to them.

SOCIETY OF FORMER SPECIAL AGENTS
OF THE FBI, INC.

Ralph J. Jones
President

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SOCIETY OF FORMER SPECIAL AGENTS OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, INC.

THE STATLER-HILTON HOTEL, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10001

Suite 118A 212-947-5765

July 15, 1976

Honorable Clarence M. Kelley
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
J. Edgar Hoover Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Director Kelley:

The 6600 and more Former Special Agents who belong to this Society are proud of their experiences and performance in the service of their country as FBI agents.

They resent the implication, fostered by certain politicians and certain segments of the press, that they did illegal, irresponsible things; that they were "the bad guys"; that it is they who threatened the lives, liberties and the pursuit of happiness of the American people by "buglaries", "bag jobs", "kidnappings" and other forms of stealth and coercion.

We stoutly maintain, and we know that the citizenry of our country agrees, that the FBI is our first line of defense against the criminal element, those who would destroy tranquility and the domestic security of this country, and is the agency best equipped to ascertain the facts about our enemies, both foreign and domestic, for the guidance of the executive, legislative and judicial branches of our government.

It is puzzling to us that the civil rights of kidnappers, bank robbers, thieves, murderers, subversives and those who would harbor them, should weigh more heavily on the scales of justice than the rights, safety and security of our good people.

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We have been told that this is not a situation where FBI agents stole, robbed or beat anyone; that on the contrary, they sought only clues or leads to the whereabouts of an underground group that they had reason to believe was responsible for mad, senseless bombings in which innocent people were being killed indiscriminately. The element of a criminal intent is totally missing.

Relying on this premise, the Executive Committee of the Society has adopted the Resolution reproduced below:

WHEREAS, the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice has notified a number of Special Agents and former Special Agents of the FBI that they are potential defendants in criminal proceedings for alleged violations of civil liberties while in the performance of their duties and that they should retain legal counsel; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Justice has refused to provide said persons with legal counsel or to provide them with any funds to secure legal representation; and

WHEREAS, the Department has at its disposal its own legal staff, exclusive access to records and the investigative resources of the FBI, and the power to discipline or discharge anyone who might oppose its objectives; and

WHEREAS, it seems unlikely that the accused will be able to obtain the necessary legal representation without the help of substantial gifts from their friends and those who believe that they are being unfairly persecuted; and

WHEREAS, this Committee has reason to believe, from conversations with others who have expressed concern, that there are many in the Society and elsewhere who would want to give generously if they have reasonable assurance that their gifts will be used to good advantage, - - -

Pursuant to these instructions I have appointed a committee consisting of:

Ralph J. Gregg, Esq., Chairman of the Society's Legal Committee and senior member of the law firm of Albrecht, Maguire, Heffern & Gregg of Buffalo, N.Y.;

Charles M. Noone, Esq., an associate member of the Society's Legal Committee and a partner in the law firm of McCarty & Noone, Washington, D. C.; and

[redacted]
of International Intelligence, Inc.
with offices in New York City.

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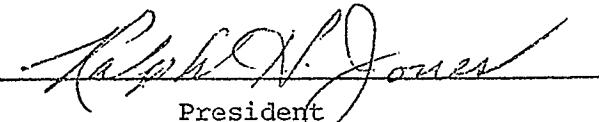
They have made arrangements for the deposit of any gifts or contributions to "The Special Agents' Legal Fund" to be deposited in that name in the Security National Bank, Washington, D. C.

They have retained the firm of Welch, Morgan and Kleindienst, 900 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. Edward P. Morgan, Esq. (1940-1947) was an Inspector when he left the government's service to engage in the practice of law and, for many years has been a prominent member of the District Bar. He is a staunch supporter of the Society's objectives.

Our purpose in communicating this information to you is to let you know that we stand firmly behind the effort to protect the good name of the Bureau from those, who seemingly, would seek to destroy it. I am taking the liberty of sending a copy of this letter to all SAC's that they may be able to answer inquiries from former agents and those in the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

SOCIETY OF FORMER SPECIAL AGENTS
OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,
INC.



Ralph H. Jones
President

Ralph H. Jones



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

July 23, 1976

Mr. Ralph H. Jones
 President
 Society of Former Special Agents of the
 Federal Bureau of Investigation, Inc.
 Suite 118A
 The Statler-Hilton Hotel
 New York, New York 10001

Dear Mr. Jones:

I have received your letter of July 15, 1976, and a copy of your July 15, 1976, letter to the Special Agents in Charge.

Your expression of confidence in the FBI is indeed appreciated as is your effort to provide legal representation to those who otherwise might be unable to obtain the advice of personal counsel. While your solicitation of contributions to a legal fund is addressed to the Special Agents in Charge of our field divisions, I construe your intention as seeking only voluntary contributions from individuals acting in their private and not in their official capacities.

I am confident that all would agree the right to private counsel is among our most valued constitutional rights and that providing assistance in securing that right is a proper objective of your organization.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
 Director

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Date July 26, 1976

To: SAC, Albany

From: Director, FBI

**THE SPECIAL AGENTS
LEGAL FUND**

PERSONAL ATTENTION

Enclosed for your information is a copy of a letter dated July 15, 1976, I received from Ralph H. Jones, President of the Society of Former Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Inc., and a copy of Mr. Jones' letter dated July 15, 1976, addressed to the Special Agents in Charge of the FBI field divisions. Also enclosed is a copy of my reply to Mr. Jones dated July 23, 1976.

All employees are to be advised the Bureau considers this a private matter and therefore will issue no instructions bearing on individual decisions whether to contribute.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : ALL AGENTS

DATE: 7/28/76

FROM : ACTING SAC HERBERT L. MONAHAN, JR.

SUBJECT: SPECIAL AGENTS LEGAL FUND

Attached for your information is a copy of a letter dated 7/15/76 to the Director, a copy of letter to all SACs dated 7/15/76 from RALPH H. JONES, President of the Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI, and a copy of the Director's letter to Mr. JONES dated 7/23/76.

The Director has advised that the Bureau considers this a private matter and, therefore, will issue no instructions bearing on individual decisions whether to contribute.

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Amrhein, Joseph A., Jr.
111 Sussex Street
Fredericksburg, Va. 22401 *Received*
373-4771

Bass, Claude A.
5908 Ridge Road
Richmond, Virginia 23227
266-3419
Bus: Va. Law Enforcement Training Standards Commission
770-2139

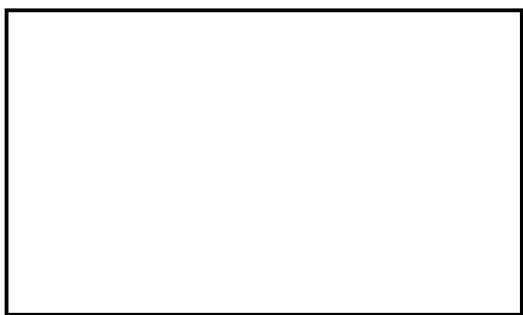
Daniels, Vernon E.
111 Norwood Drive
Colonial Heights, Virginia 23834
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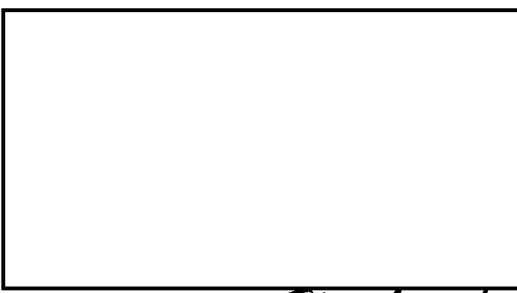
Davis, Roy W.
207 Wexleigh Drive
Richmond, Virginia 23229
288-3584
Bus: Reynolds Metals
P. O. Box 27003
Richmond, Virginia 23261



Gilmore, J. Spencer
404 Beechwood Drive
Richmond, Virginia 23229
288-0128
Bus: Va. Federal Savings & Loan
224 East Broad Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219
649-1201



Glass, J. Luther
1615 Wilmington Avenue
Richmond, Virginia 23227
353-4298



Chapin, Donald M.
8209 Bronwood Road
Richmond, Virginia 23229
270-4249

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[Redacted]
Montgomery, James H., Jr. [Redacted]
1404 Claremont Avenue
Richmond, Virginia 23227
358-1006

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Heiner, Charles F. [Redacted]
25 Twin Lake Lane
Richmond, Virginia 23229
288-4504
Bus: Federal Reserve Bank
Richmond, Virginia
648-7271

Johnson, Warren G. [Redacted]
2412 Jewett Drive
Richmond, Virginia 23228
262-3526
Bus: Va. State Labs
Richmond, Virginia
786-4706

[Redacted]
Bus: Attorney
701 E. Franklin Street
644-0721

[Redacted]

Parker, Walter L. [Redacted]
Rt. 14, Box 318-R
Richmond, Virginia 23231
795-2576
Bus: VEPCO
Richmond, Virginia
771-3102

[Redacted]

May, Walton M.
8104 N. Wilkinson Court
Richmond, Virginia 23227
266-3112
Bus: Robert F. Douglas Co.
Willow Lawn
Richmond, Virginia
282-7626

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

McCarthy, Harry L. [Redacted]
110 Charnwood Road
Richmond, Virginia 23229
288-2941

Robbins, Edgar L. [redacted]
10007 Huguenot Road
Richmond, Virginia 23235
Bus: Reynolds Metals Company
P. O. Box 27003
Richmond, Virginia 23261
281-2871

Shetter, Books P. [redacted]
306 Tarrytown Drive
Richmond, Virginia 23229
288-3692
Bus: Va. Federal Savings & Loan
649-1201

Simmons, John B. [redacted]
204 Santa Clara Drive
Richmond, Virginia 23229
282-2641
Bus: Room 610 Mutual Bldg.
Richmond, Virginia
648-3071

[redacted]
Wilkins, Mark D. [redacted]
5308 Monument Avenue
Richmond, Virginia 23226
282-3355

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[redacted]
Smith, Percy M., Jr.
308 Charmian Road
Richmond, Virginia 23226
355-1061
Bus: Southern Title Insurance Corp.
Richmond, Virginia
648-9044

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6101 Three Chopt Road
Richmond, Virginia 23226
282-2111
Bus: Alfred J. Dickinson Inc.
4800 Augusta Avenue
Richmond, Virginia 23230
355-3247

Goertz, Vernon J. (1941-1963)
257 N. Lakeshore Drive
Rt. 2, Louisa, Virginia 23093
Bus: Blue Ridge Shores
P. O. Box 303
Louisa, Virginia 23093

Taylor, George E. (1941-1948)
Former Residence:
1201 Dinwiddie Avenue
Richmond, Virginia 23229

Whitticar, Ralph M., Jr. (1941-1944)
1409 Hanover Street
Fredericksburg, Virginia 22401
Bus: P. O. Box 593
918 Princess Anne Street
Fredericksburg, Virginia 22401

Lawler, J. Edward
5011 Riverside Drive
Richmond, Virginia 23225
233-6627
Bus: 233-6055

McKee, Samuel K. (1930-1953)
R. F. D. 2, Willow Oaks Road
Richmond, Virginia 23233
784-5177



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4422 Ellicott Street, N.W. • Washington, D.C. 20016

October 5, 1976

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Mr. James E. Decker
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
200 West Grace Street
Richmond, Virginia 23220

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Dear Jim:

As you are probably aware, I am Chairman of the Special Gifts Committee for the J. Edgar Hoover Memorial Fund. We have made a determination to make solicitations outside the Society of Former Agents of the F.B.I. membership only by contact on the part of a Society member. I have checked with each of the Society Chapter Chairmen as to any individuals, organizations, or companies that they might feel would like to contribute. I have also asked them for the names of the former Agents who would be best suited to make the contact. This is all in the process.

I thought that it might be worthwhile to check with each of the SAC's to see if you have a suggestion of an individual, organization, or company in your territory who you feel might wish to participate. If you have and would like to send me the name and address, I will be glad to write them personally. I do not want nor expect you to do any solicitation, but if you do know of anyone you would like to suggest that I write or contact, I would be happy to have your suggestions.

Thanks and best regards.

Sincerely,

H. G. Foster

Chairman

Special Gifts Committee
10 South LaSalle Street
Chicago, Illinois 60603

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Mr. James E. Decker
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
200 West Grace Street
Richmond, Virginia 23220

P. O. Box 12325
Richmond, VA 23241

Post Office Box 12325
Richmond, Virginia 23241
October 21, 1976

Mr. H. G. Foster
Chairman
Special Gifts Committee
10 South LaSalle Street
Chicago, Illinois 60603

Dear Harvey:

I am in receipt of your letter of October 5, 1976, addressed to James E. Decker as the Special Agent in Charge of the Richmond Division. As you probably know by now, Jim is no longer the Agent in Charge of this Division and I assumed command during the middle of September, 1976.

I wish I could be of help to you in suggesting individuals and/or organizations in this territory who might wish to participate in the J. Edgar Hoover Memorial Fund, however, since I am new here I have no suggestions.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Charles E. Price
Special Agent in Charge

1-Addressee
1-Richmond
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WHARTON, ALDHIZER & WEAVER
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
90 NORTH MAIN STREET
HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA
22801

November 2, 1976

AREA CODE 703
TELEPHONE 434-0316
P. O. Box 809

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Special Agent in Charge
Charles E. Price
Federal Bureau of Investigation
300 W. Grace Street
Richmond, VA

Dear Mr. Price:

On behalf of the Blue Ridge Chapter of the Former Special Agents of the FBI, I wish to extend an invitation to you and Mr. [redacted] to participate in the activities scheduled on Saturday, November 6, 1976, at Charlottesville. I have tickets for you and Mr. [redacted] to attend the University of Virginia-Lehigh football game which is scheduled to start at 1:30 p.m. in Scott Stadium to be followed by a cocktail hour and dinner at Farmington Country Club. While speaking with Mr. [redacted], I took the liberty of making arrangements to meet you at the Charlottesville Resident Agency at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday.

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I also want to take this opportunity to welcome you and Mr. Creamer to the Richmond Division and assure you that the entire Blue Ridge Chapter supports the efforts of the Bureau in general and your office in particular. In the event that any of us can ever be of assistance, please do not hesitate to call upon us.

We look forward to meeting and welcoming you in person on Saturday.

Very truly yours,

Ron Hodges
Ronald D. Hodges

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cc: Assistant Special Agent in Charge
[redacted]

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SOCIETY OF FORMER SPECIAL AGENTS OF THE FBI
RICHMOND CHAPTER

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February 8, 1977

Dear Chapter Member:

You will recall that the Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting will be held in Richmond on March 4 and 5, 1977, at the Hyatt House. The National President, [redacted]; Regional Vice-President, Bill Mitchell; Board of Director's member, Bud Love, and hopefully other national officers, as well as chapter chairmen or delegates from Pennsylvania, Maryland, Kentucky, Washington, D. C., and Blue Ridge and Tidewater in Virginia, will attend. The three Virginia Chapters are co-hosts.

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The out-of-town people are expected on the afternoon of March 4, and we plan to have a small cocktail party for them that night.

On Saturday the meeting will be held at the Hyatt House from 9:00 A. M. until completion, hopefully by noon, for National Officers and Chapter Chairmen or Delegates. However, the meeting is open to any Society member who wishes to attend.

Beginning about 10:00 A. M., Saturday, the visiting wives will be taken on a tour and local wives are also invited. If the meeting is over by lunch time efforts will be made for the men to join their wives. Luncheon is dutch treat. Exact details of the tour will be announced later when the out-of-town attendance is determined.

Saturday night is the big event that all our Chapter members and wives will want to attend. We're having a cocktail party and banquet at the Commonwealth Club beginning at 6:30 P. M. After dinner there will be professional entertainment and short talks by the National Officers. Dinner (Cordon Bleu and all the trimmings) will be \$14.00 per person including tax and gratuity, and there will be a cash bar before and after.

Please complete the enclosed form and send it to Don Chapin, 8209 Bronwood Road, Richmond, Virginia 23229, with your check, by February 20. We must have reservations early to coordinate the activities.

Sincerely,



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Post Office Box 12325
Richmond, Virginia 23241
November 8, 1976

Mr. Ronald D. Hodges
Attorney at Law
90 North Main Street
Harrisonburg, Virginia 22801

Dear Ron:

[redacted] and I want you to know how much we enjoyed being with you Saturday. It was most kind of you to invite us and we appreciate your taking your valuable time to show us around the University.

The Ex-Agents' dinner was most successful and it was a pleasure being there with you and the others. You are certainly a fine southern gentleman and we appreciate your hospitality and the many courtesies extended to us by you. Please convey our thanks to your lovely wife for her sharing you with us on Saturday. I hope we did not inconvenience her too much.

If [] or I can be of any assistance to you, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

CHARLES E. PRICE
Special Agent in Charge

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11 Richmond (80-675)
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FLORENCE, GORDON AND BROWN
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
815 MUTUAL BUILDING
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA 23219

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February 14, 1977

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Mr. Charles E. Price,
Special Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation
200 West Grace Street
Richmond, Virginia 23220

Dear Charlie:

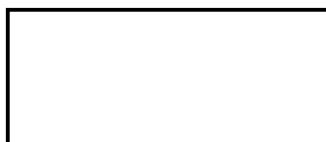
I am enclosing for your information a copy of the letter we sent out here on our Regional Meeting.

We would be pleased to have you and your wife attend the banquet at the Commonwealth Club, 401 West Franklin Street, on the night of March 5, 1977.

If you can make it send your check to Don Chapin as indicated.

We look forward to seeing you on March 5, 1977.

Sincerely,



Chapter Chairman

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ROUTING SLIP

TO: ALL AGENTS
FROM: SAC CHARLES E. PRICE
RE: THE SPECIAL AGENTS' LEGAL FUND

As each of you will recall, the Society of Former Special Agents, by letter dated 7/15/76, advised of the creation of the above-captioned Defense Fund for the purpose of assisting current and former FBI employees in providing legal representation.

I was advised today by SAC SMITH of the New York Office that there are insufficient funds available in this Special Agents' Legal Defense Fund account. SAC SMITH advised the New York Office is coordinating a program to increase the account. It was suggested that Special Agents in grades 10 and 11 contribute a minimum of \$15 to this fund; Agents in GS-12 a minimum of \$20, and Agents in GS-13 and above a minimum of \$25. Checks should be made payable to the Special Agents' Legal Fund.

This is a voluntary, personal matter and should any of you desire to contribute to this fund, I will be submitting to the New York Office the contributions of this Division on 4/27/77. If you desire to contribute, submit your check payable to the Special Agents' Legal Fund to my secretary in a sealed envelope addressed to the Fund between now and the 26th of April and I will forward all envelopes at one time to New York.

I want to emphasize that this is strictly voluntary and the mere fact that I am furnishing this information to you is not to be taken as a request from me for a contribution. I am not interested in who gives or the amount given and for those reasons I request your contributions be in a sealed envelope which will be forwarded unopened to the New York Office.

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TO: SAC and ASAC, Richmond

FROM: SAC ALFRED E. SMITH
DIVISION IV
NEW YORK OFFICE

This will serve as confirmation of our telephone conversations on April 12 and 13, 1977, regarding the concerted effort to raise funds for the defense of present and former SAs of the FBI who have incurred substantial legal fees as a result of the ongoing investigation of the Civil Rights Division of the USDJ into the matter of the FBI Weatherman inquiry. The New York Office of the FBI has instituted a plan to raise funds for involved present and former FBI Agents for their ongoing legal defense in the above matter. As you are aware, a respected former FBI Supervisor of the New York Division was recently indicted in the Southern District of New York for his role in supervising FBI Agents whose investigative techniques are now being questioned.

As SAC of Division IV of the New York Office, I am personally contacting SACs and ASACs of 14 FBI offices designated #34 (Minneapolis) through #48 (Sacramento) with regard to this matter of fund-raising. As I told you on the telephone, each SAC or ASAC is being requested to personally supervise the collection of funds in his office on a priority basis. The funds collected should be sent to me or to the attention of Supervisor Vincent A. Alvino, Division IV. When these funds are received from your respective offices, they will be turned over to the Society of Former FBI Agents who will, in turn, administer the distribution of these funds to the needy present and former FBI Agents under scrutiny in the Weatherman matter.

It is requested that all SAs be solicited for voluntary contributions. The suggested minimum contribution is as follows:

Grades 10 and 11	\$15.00
Grade 12	\$20.00
Grade 13	\$25.00
Grade 14 and above	Above \$25.00

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It is desired that these contributions be made by personal check payable to "Special Agent Legal Fund".

It is requested that each office designate a specific individual to handle any inquiries from the New York Office concerning this matter. At your convenience, kindly notify me of your choice.

The cooperation of the Agents of every FBI office is sincerely appreciated. The support shown in your efforts, both financial and otherwise, will long be remembered by everyone concerned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. J. Smith". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line extending from the end of the signature to the right.

4/29/77

TO: SAC ALFRED E. SMITH, New York Office
FROM: SAC CHARLES E. PRICE
RICHMOND DIVISION
RE: SPECIAL AGENTS LEGAL FUND

Al, Agents of the Richmond Division were advised by me of the status of the captioned fund as related by you and of the efforts of the New York Office in coordinating a program among field divisions to increase the Fund account. Suggested contributions as related were made available to them.

I advised the Agents that this is considered by me a personal matter, however, I would forward any voluntary contributions they desired to make to the New York Office on 4/27/77.

Since this is considered a personal matter, I requested their contributions be in sealed envelopes addressed to the fund and I am enclosing 24 envelopes which I have received. Some of the personnel of this division may have submitted their contributions directly to the bank in Washington, D. C. as was done previously.

The enclosures are being furnished to you unopened as received by me. I do not know the amount contributed nor the identity of the contributors as I feel that since this is a personal matter it would be inappropriate for me to maintain a list of the individuals who gave and the amount of their contributions.

For your additional information, the Richmond newspapers have both had editorials in opposition to the indictment of FBI Agents in connection with the New York matter.

Sincerely,

CHARLES E. PRICE

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

[redacted] ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30345

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April 8, 1977

Dear Society Member:

THIS IS A SPECIAL APPEAL FOR SOCIETY ACTION.
PLEASE READ IT.

A federal grand jury returned an indictment charging Society member, [redacted], with involvement in "illegal wire tapping, obstruction of the mail and conspiracy". This action, according to news releases, is related to the F.B.I. investigation of the "radical left Weather Underground".

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In response to press inquiries, I have made the following release:

"James L. McGovern, Atlanta, Georgia, President of the National Society of Former Special Agents of the F.B.I., commented today when informed that an indictment had been returned by a Federal grand jury in New York City, charging that a former Special Agent of the F.B.I. had been involved in illegal mail openings, wire taps and general conspiracy, in connection with the terrorists Weathermen organization, that this act is a disgraceful miscarriage of justice. He stated 'I find it totally unacceptable that the Government of the United States which so recently granted amnesty to selective service violators and armed forces deserters, now intends to proceed to prosecute a dedicated Special Agent of the F.B.I. It is impossible to accept the notion that one who committed himself to the task of bringing to justice members of the Weathermen organization for whom arrest warrants were outstanding, who had admitted responsibility for bombings and other acts of terrorism in the United States, would be charged criminally for his efforts and exposed to the threat of prosecution'.

It is totally inconsistent that the Department of Justice, which is responsible for seeking the indictment against this former Special Agent is the same department which

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recently announced that it would not proceed against CIA personnel for alleged illegal mail openings. Surely the same standard would apply to F.B.I. Agents as to employees of the CIA.

The entire investigation aimed at the Federal Bureau of Investigation by the Civil Rights Division of the U. S. Department of Justice has been marked by a lack of professionalism and a gross abuse of departmental regulations and traditional standards of confidentiality which govern grand jury testimony. Throughout the investigation there has been a deliberate well-calculated sequence of 'leaks' attributed to representatives of the Department of Justice concerning alleged evidence developed by the Department of Justice and concerning alleged testimony before the Federal Grand Jury. These leaks have deprived this former F.B.I. official of his right to a fair trial. These unauthorized leaks deliberately planted have demonstrated the inability of the Department of Justice to restrain its own officials from engaging in disgraceful unprofessional and prejudicial conduct. Such practices must cease.

I remind the American people that the alleged acts which are the basis for this indictment occurred during a time and in an atmosphere of complete inaction and indifference by the Congress and the Department of Justice.

The F.B.I. was expected to produce. It was expected to locate the Weathermen fugitives. It was expected to apprehend those who claimed responsibility for bombings and killings of innocent people. The F.B.I. did perform.

The American people must not now forget the demands which they placed upon the F.B.I. and its personnel. The American people must call for an end to this unwarranted prosecution."

I have in other letters to you advised you on a continuing basis concerning the Department of Justice investigation, our dealings with the Department and also the Legal Defense Fund.

There is little that I can add to the sense of outrage which I expressed in my press release.

I do, however, ask that each member give very careful consideration to the effect of the decision to seek prosecution. If you are so inclined to express your sentiments and opinion to your representatives in public office and to the Department of Justice, I ask

that you go on record with the President of the United States, the Attorney General of the United States, your Representative in Congress, your Senators and letters to the Editors of your newspapers and Editors of the publications to which you subscribe.

The indictment which was returned on April 7, 1977 against Society member [redacted] is the climax to an all out campaign by some representatives of the Department of Justice and of the media to discredit the Federal Bureau of Investigation and remove it from the domestic intelligence field.

I remind you that [redacted] was acting in his official capacity and in the discharge of the responsibilities of his position as a Special Agent. I ask that you consider what course of action you would have taken had you been in his place. [redacted] acted with no expectation of personal gain and only with the intent to counter the activity of a terrorist group.

This situation and further related developments calls for very careful consideration of the action which the Society may take and the individual response by our members.

I know that you will react according to your individual dictates.

In the very near future we shall ask for your financial support of the Legal Defense Fund whose resources are now inadequate to meet the present legal defense expenses.

You may wish to send contributions now to the

Legal Defense Fund
Security National Bank
2000 M Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Sincerely,



President

JLMcG/jk

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

80-675*

[Redacted] ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30345

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April 12, 1977

Dear Former Colleagues:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter which I have sent to all 6900 former Special Agents of the F.B.I.

I want you to know of our concern and our continuing sense of loyalty to the organization in which we were privileged to serve.

I ask that you bring my letter to the attention of all Special Agents and other employees of your office.

It is my intention as President of the Society of Former Special Agents of the F.B.I. to pursue every avenue available to me in an effort to counteract the damage which has been done to the reputation of a great organization.

You may be assured that the Federal Bureau of Investigation and its dedicated personnel have our full support.

Sincerely,

[Redacted]

President

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[redacted], Murray, O'Donnell, [redacted]

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TELEPHONE RE 2-4019

F. L. WYCHE

April 29, 1977

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Mr. Charles E. Price
Special Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Post Office Box 12325
Richmond, Virginia 23241

Dear Mr. Price:

I enclose a clipping of a news item from a recent issue of "The Progress-Index" in Petersburg expressing the indignation of a number of F.B.I. agents over the indictment and pending prosecution of Mr. [REDACTED], one of their retired colleagues. I am in full accord with the protest of these agents addressed to President Carter and the Senate Judicial Committee.

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I have had thirty years experience (1943-1973) as Commonwealth's Attorney for the County of Prince George in the prosecution of criminal cases. During these years, I and the Sheriff's Office of Prince George County have called upon agents of the F.B.I. many times for assistance in the preparation for trial and for expert testimony in court. Every agent with whom I have had personal contact has impressed me with his dedication to duty, his training and job efficiency, his integrity and good moral character.

I am thoroughly fed up, to say the least, over the modern hue and cry about the violations of a person's civil rights. It has been my impression through the years (I am now 71 years of age) that the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States were intended to provide adequate safeguards for law-abiding citizens to enjoy life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. However, recent court decisions these days seem to minimize these age-old safeguards and encourage those who live outside the law to destroy the fundamental principles of justice upon which our nation was founded. In short, I am fearful that the present day interpretations of the U. S. Constitution, seeking to safeguard and protect the rights of criminals, will ultimately destroy the rights guaranteed by this document to all law-abiding citizens.

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Mr. Charles E. Price
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In discussing the indictment of Mr. [redacted] with a client of mine (Mr. [redacted] of Chesterfield County) today, we both concluded that we should have some small part in his defense other than righteous indignation over his prosecution. I, therefore, enclose my check payable to Mr. [redacted] in the amount of \$200.00, with the request that this token contribution be forwarded to him or to whom-ever may be in charge of a fund for his adequate and proper defense. I sincerely believe that he must have acted in the line of duty under proper authority from his superiors in the F.B.I and that he was carrying out orders in an effort to protect all of us from subversive activities seeking to destroy this nation.

We do not feel that Mr. [redacted] should have to bear alone the tremendous expense incident to his preparation for trial and the conduct of his defense. We also hope that other like-minded people have already and will continue to contribute to a fund for his defense. If you are restricted in any way from using or forwarding the enclosed check, please return the same to me with Mr. [redacted] address in order that I may forward the same to him for its intended use.

Very truly yours,

F. L. Wyche
62-0-3050
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cc: [redacted]

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Post Office Box 12325
Richmond, Virginia 23241
May 2, 1977

Mr. F. L. Wyche
Prince George
Virginia 23875

Dear Mr. Wyche:

I am in receipt of your letter dated April 29, 1977 and its enclosures. Your expression of confidence in the FBI is indeed appreciated, as is your contribution to former Special Agent [redacted].

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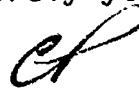
For your information, the Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI has established a Special Agents' Legal Fund and is accepting voluntary contributions for the purpose of assisting present and former Special Agents of the FBI in obtaining legal representation.

In this connection the Society has opened a bank account for the deposit of contributions to the Agents' Defense Fund and have requested contributions be sent directly to the account at the following address: The Special Agents' Legal Fund, Security National Bank, 2000 "M" Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., 20036. The Society has also requested that checks be made payable to the Special Agents' Legal Fund and return addresses be shown for the purpose of refunding to the contributors any unused funds received. I am returning the enclosures to your letter of April 29th and it would be appreciated if you would mail your contribution directly to the Fund in Washington, D. C.

Your interest in wanting to help former Special Agent [redacted] and other former and present FBI employees is heartwarming and most thoughtful. I am sure he, as well as any other former or present FBI Agent who may be the recipient of your contribution, is likewise appreciative of your support.

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Sincerely yours,



CHARLES E. PRICE
Special Agent in Charge

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William Safire

Prosecution of Former FBI Officials Has Begun to Backfire

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WASHINGTON — The ill-considered decision of the Carter administration to prosecute former FBI officials and to discipline present FBI agents for using questionable but long-tolerated investigative techniques in order to stop the terrorist bombers of the Weather Underground has begun to backfire.

The accused lawmen and threatened agents have refused to cop the plea offered them; they will not plead guilty to a misdemeanor and take a suspended sentence. On principle, they say they operated within then-recognized guidelines in upholding public safety and that current operations of the Justice Department are not that much different today.

What worries Justice most is the accused officials' right to "discovery" — finding out about past and current practices similar to those they are accused of, which would then be taken before a jury in open court.

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FOR NEARLY A YEAR, people inside and outside Justice have been nervous about "cooperating with the law" when such cooperation may later be deemed illegal.

For example, after Vice President Mondale made a speech in August of 1977 supporting a bill outlawing all warrantless wiretapping, the telephone company —

which does the tapping for the government and is worried about civil damage suits arising therefrom — threatened to refuse to do any foreign-intelligence work without a court order.

On Sept. 29, 1977, Attorney General Griffin Bell wrote American Telephone and Telegraph "to assure you that it remains the position of the executive branch that the foreign intelligence surveillances are a lawful exercise of the president's constitutional power."

On February 20, when AT&T again threatened to hang up, Bell kept them on the line with, "Our ability to continue these essential actions and our right to ask your continued cooperation demands the strictest adherence to the Constitution . . ."

Nervousness about being sued or prosecuted tomorrow for what the A.G. says is legal today extends to agents on the beat. The longest floating investigation in existence is the FBI's surveillance of the Communist Party of the USA, begun in 1938. In 1976, Attorney General Levi — recognizing that the surveillance of a political party could no longer lawfully be conducted under the rubric of "domestic security" — simply switched the case's cover sheet, giving that investigation the legal rationale of a foreign intelligence probe.

"Discovery" will show that FBI agents

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have been following certain officials of the Communist Party in the United States, looking at the outside of their mail and examining their toll calls, at the very least. (Properly, Bell refuses to confirm even the existence of this particular investigation; he tells me, "I never signed a wiretap authorization on the Communist Party USA," and that no surveillance is being used which, if used in a criminal case, would require a warrant. He adds obliquely, "We just keep up with people.")

SOMEDAY, HOWEVER, the question will arise: Is this legal?

When the Trotskyite Socialist Workers Party was the object of the FBI's "Cointelpro" surveillance only a few years ago, it rightly hollered bloody murder and the FBI was denounced for police-state tactics.

If the Communist Party USA is an agent of a foreign power, or if its leaders are engaged in conducting espionage here, Justice ought to prove its case and close the sham party down; if you cannot make a case after 40 years, you're not really trying.

On the other hand, if the long-suspected, closely watched leaders of the Communist Party here are not demonstrably agents of a foreign power, then it is the "foreign in-

telligence" excuse for surveilling them that is the sham, and we should extend to our card-carrying friends the same protections as members of any other party.

One day, what the FBI is now doing will be challenged. Put yourself in the shoes of the FBI agent taking pictures of visitors to Communist Party headquarters from across the street; will future interpreters of the law find him guilty? Put yourself in the shoes of the attorney general: "I cannot be certain that I won't be prosecuted someday for doing what I think is legal today."

That's not right; a person's actions should be judged in the context of the time those actions are taken, and not ex post facto. Of course, if "discovery" should turn up a memo dated only last spring directing FBI agents to work in certain grey areas with the assurance that what seems illegal is really permissible counterespionage, that would be an even more vivid example of hypocrisy.

At a time when Soviet expansionism and espionage are gaining strength, President Carter ought not to be looking for scapegoats to satisfy our consciences for yesterday's practices, or blowing an uncertain trumpet at today's troops. Justice should drop its politically inspired indictments before "discovery" destroys what little spy-catching capacity we have left.

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THE SPECIAL AGENTS LEGAL FUND, INC.
SUITE 2754, GRAYBAR BUILDING
420 LEXINGTON AVENUE
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10017

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Charles H. Stanley
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James E. Fogarty
Ralph H. Jones

April 9, 1979

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Bureau Personnel on "Grapevine" Mailing List
Chapter Chairmen - X-Agents 'Society'

We would like to report to you at this time as to the financial status of the Legal Fund in which you are all so interested.

As of the end of March there had been collected \$815,699 and earned interest of \$12,595 for a total of funds available of \$828,294.

Payments had been made to Agents and former Agents of \$603,455, with bills in process of payment of \$96,036, for a total of \$699,491.

Administrative expenses had been paid in the amount of \$18,174, with bills in process of payment of \$990, for a total of \$19,164.

The balance in hand after the payment of the bills in process was \$109,637, but we have still a bill due for one of our indicted associates for the month of February which will be very substantial. March bills have not been included (none received) as paid or in process. I'm sure our balance will be reduced to about \$75,000 before paying the March bills.

We are informed by the Ad Hoc Committee that they will have available for us something in excess of \$100,000.

If (God forbid), the case goes to trial, we shall need over \$250,000 for trial expense for an estimated six-week trial.

With your help and concern, we can provide our associates with the best possible legal defense. We would appreciate your continued financial aid.

Thanks.

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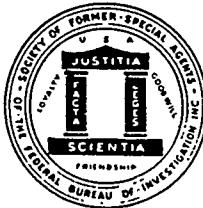
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Sincerely
James E. Fogarty
For the Directors
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SOCIETY OF FORMER SPECIAL AGENTS
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, INC.
TIDEWATER VIRGINIA CHAPTER

Post Office Box 39
Gloucester Point, Va.
23062
9 February 1982

Mr. William H. Webster, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Ninth Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, Northwest
Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Judge Webster:

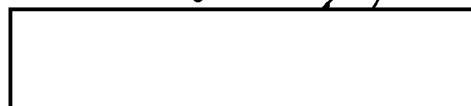
Our chapter has learned that you will likely be attending the Special Agents-In-Charge conference in Williamsburg, Va. during the middle of March, 1982. If your schedule permits while there, our chapter would be delighted to have you visit and talk to our group.

The times and places of our chapter meetings are flexible. We could arrange to hold a meeting in Williamsburg, Va. at a time to fit your schedule. The ladies would be invited to this meeting and we would invite the Richmond and Blue Ridge Chapters with their ladies.

It would be great for our chapter if you find it possible to be with us and would be sincerely appreciated.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,



Chairman

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Chairman
Society of Former Special Agents
Tidewater Virginia Chapter
Post Office Box 39
Gloucester Point, Virginia 23062

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Thanks so much for the invitation to speak to the Tidewater, Richmond and Blue Ridge Chapters of the Society in March at Williamsburg, Virginia.

As you are aware, I will be in Williamsburg to participate in a conference with all of our Special Agents in Charge. The schedule for that conference is already quite full, preventing me from accepting any additional commitments. I hope you will understand.

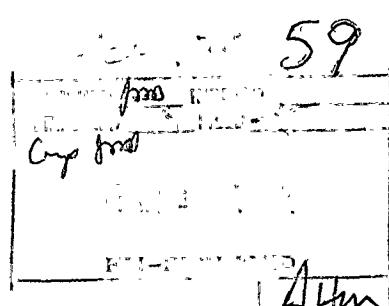
I would have enjoyed the visit and regret that I cannot join you.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William H. Webster".

William H. Webster
Director

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March 18, 1982

Mr. Allen McCreight
Special Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Allen,

It was a pleasure seeing you at the luncheon of Former Special Agents. Your comments were reassuring, especially in regard to Judge Webster's firm stand on the ABSCAM issue.

As I indicated this afternoon, I am entering on duty as an Instructor with the Defense Industrial Security Institute, headquartered at the Defense General Supply Center, Richmond.

If I can be of service to you, or the Bureau, please call on me.

Yours truly,



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Post Office Box 12325
Richmond, Virginia 23241
March 19, 1982

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Dear [Redacted]

I appreciate your letter of March 18th and likewise enjoyed being with you at the former agents' luncheon yesterday.

As you are no doubt aware, we have extensive dealings with the Defense General Supply Center in Richmond in connection with our responsibilities and we enjoy an excellent relationship with the personnel at that installation. I sincerely appreciate your offer of assistance and I shall inform Supervisor [Redacted] of this office. If we can be of any assistance to you in your new endeavor, please feel free to call upon us. [Redacted] is a New Yorker and also has been assigned to the New York Office, so we should be able to communicate quite well!

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I look forward to working with you and to seeing you at future former agents' meetings.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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ALLEN H. MC CREIGHT
Special Agent in Charge

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March 26, 1982

Mr. L. Grey Brockman
Deputy Assistant Director
Inspection Division, Room 7825
FBI, U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Grey,

As you know, the Richmond Chapter holds periodic luncheon meetings which generally have a speaker from the field of law enforcement. The SAC of the Richmond Division is a regular participant at these meetings, and in the past has been the main speaker.

On behalf of the Chapter, I would like to extend an invitation to you to speak at our meeting of May 20, 1982, to be held at noon at Byram's Restaurant, Richmond. I know your many Richmond friends and associates would welcome seeing you, and we are looking forward to you accepting this invitation.

Yours sincerely,
R. H. Geisen
Richmond Chapter

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cc: ~~VSAC~~ Allen H. McCreight
Mr. Ron W. Davis Chairman
Mr. [redacted] Secretary

Per 4/13/82 telex
w/ Mr. Brockman, he
will attend the
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M. Brockman will
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Room 7825, JEH Building
10th and Pennsylvania Ave., N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20535
April 13, 1982

Mr. Raymond H. Geisen
11011 Triton Circle
Richmond, Virginia 23235

Dear Ray,

This is a brief note to respond to your most kind letter dated March 26, 1982, wherein you invited me to a 12:00 luncheon meeting of the Richmond Chapter of the Society of Former Special Agents at Byram's Restaurant on May 20, 1982. I definitely accept your gracious invitation and look forward to seeing you and other Richmond area friends.

Again, Ray, many thanks for your thoughtfulness in inviting me to attend the Richmond Chapter meeting on May 20.

With kind regards, I am,

Sincerely,

L. Grey Brockman

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Richmond Division

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Post Office Box 12325
Richmond, Virginia 23241
March 31, 1983

Mr. Edgar L. Robbins
10007 Huguenot Road
Richmond, Virginia 23235

Dear Ed,

This is to follow up on the invitation extended at the last Former Agents luncheon for the Richmond former Agents to participate in a joint firearms session at the Henrico County Police Department range, Sandston, Virginia, on Tuesday, May 17, 1983, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Enclosed is a sheet setting forth the directions to the Henrico County Police Department range. At the present time we are planning to demonstrate current shooting techniques and tactical qualifying courses being used for qualification purposes. In addition, we encourage our former colleagues who are interested to join in demonstrating their marksmanship. We will arrange special courses and group competition for those in attendance. In addition, we have arranged for skeet shooting to be available for those who might be interested.

Finally, we hope to conclude the day's activities by having a picnic lunch at the range facilities upon conclusion of the firearms activities. We encourage as many of our colleagues as possible to attend in order for Richmond Agents to have an opportunity to become better acquainted with their former colleagues in the greater Richmond area.

If there are any questions, please feel free to call me at 644-2631.

Sincerely,

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Allen H. McCraight
Special Agent in Charge

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Cooperative, Inc.
6606 West Broad Street
Post Office Box, 26234
Richmond, Virginia 23260
Telephone 804 281-1000



July 26, 1983

Senator Paul Trible
Suite 1B
115 South 3rd Street
Richmond, VA 23219

Dear Paul:

I spoke today with [redacted] concerning our interest in obtaining names of former FBI agents who may have retired in the Richmond community. [redacted] suggested that I put this request in letter form to you. b6

Several weeks ago we had the opportunity to need the Virginia State Police for some investigative work at one of our retail points and in working with this officer found he was a retired FBI agent.

Since this time we have recognized the need in our organization for a security person who would not only be able to investigate situations, but be able to teach and instruct in the area of security. It occurred to us there are possibly other retired FBI agents living in the Central Virginia area that might be interested in employment. With this in mind, I talked to [redacted] about the possibility of asking the FBI for a list of retirees.

I recognize this kind of request may border on the request for confidential information, but it would seem to me such a list might serve the retired employees and the business community in a worthwhile manner. I would appreciate anything that you might do in helping us obtain names of those who might be interested in working in this area.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Group Vice President
RETAIL & MARKETING SERVICES

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

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TRANSPORTATION

Mr. [redacted]

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Inspector in Charge of
Congressional Affairs
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Office of Congressional Affairs
Room 7240
10th and Pennsylvania Avenues, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Mr. [redacted]:

Please be advised that I have been contacted by one of my constituents, Mr. [redacted] of the Southern States Cooperative in Richmond, Virginia, to inquire as to the availability of a list of retired FBI agents in the Richmond area.

Your consideration of the entire proposal contained in the attached correspondence from Mr. [redacted] will be appreciated.

In the event that such a list cannot be furnished, is there any means whereby those agents who are nearing retirement age might be made aware of this possible employment opportunity?

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,


Paul Trible

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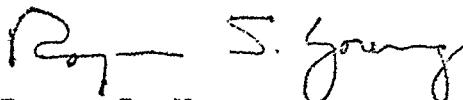
Honorable Paul Trible
United States Senator
First National Bank Building
823 East Main Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Senator Trible:

Your August 2nd inquiry on behalf of Mr. [redacted]
[redacted] has been brought to my attention.

Mr. [redacted] request has been discussed with Special Agent in Charge McCreight of our Richmond Office who will contact Mr. [redacted] and put him in contact with the Richmond Chapter of the Society of Former Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Inc. We appreciate Mr. [redacted] concern and interest in contacting the FBI.

Sincerely,



Roger S. Young
Assistant Director in Charge
Office of Congressional
and Public Affairs

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Rev. Henry Tompkins
A former FBI agent

Rev. Tompkins of Ashland dies

The Rev. Henry Fitzhugh Thompkins, a former FBI agent and an ordained Episcopal priest, died Friday in a Richmond hospital. He was 63 and lived in Ashland.

He was born in Richmond and graduated from the University of Richmond.

He served in the Army Signal Corps from 1943 until 1946 and was discharged as a first lieutenant. From 1949 to 1976, he worked for the FBI, primarily in Louisville, Ky.

In 1971, he was ordained an Episcopal priest, serving from 1972 until 1980 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Jeffersonville, Ind., near Louisville.

In 1983, he opened Out On A Limb — For The Birds, a shop specializing in products for wild birds.

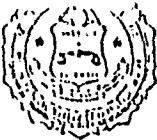
Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Bess M. Tompkins; three daughters, Mrs. Linda T. Schuler of Paducah, Ky., Miss Betsy D. Tompkins of Springfield and Mrs. Jennifer L. Hunter of Mission Viejo, Calif.; a brother, James L. Tompkins of Fair Haven, N.J.; and a sister, Mrs. Mary Agnes Lett of Virginia Beach.

A memorial service will be held tomorrow at 11 a.m. at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 1101 Forest Ave. Memorial contributions may be made to the Former Agents of the FBI Foundation Memorial Fund, Room 312, 24-16 Queens Plaza South, Long Island City, N.Y. 11101.

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SOCIETY OF FORMER SPECIAL AGENTS
OF THE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, INC.
RICHMOND CHAPTER

July 7, 1985

Dear Members:

The next regular meeting of the Richmond Chapter will be held on Thursday, July 18th, at Byrums Restaurant, 3215 W. Broad St., Richmond, with registration at 11:30AM and lunch promptly at 12 noon.

[redacted] Investment Counselor, Paine Webber, will be the speaker. His topic will be "Investments Consideration for Retired Persons".

There are several members who have not yet paid their 1985 dues of \$5.00. Please settle this on the 18th. Thanks.

Please let either Law and [redacted] know by 10AM on 7/17 if you plan to attend as the restaurant needs to know how many to set up for.

Sherrill
Sherrill Law [initials]
Chairman
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Law: 266-244;
[redacted]

Bob - Can you attend
this? I'll be at the
NA Session in Tampa
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PERSONAL ATTENTION

TO: All SACs

SOCIETY OF FORMER SPECIAL AGENTS

Forwarded herewith for your information is a 1986 schedule of the six regional meetings of the Society of Former Special Agents.

The Director plans to attend the Annual Convention in Boston during August 27-31, 1986. As you will note, Executive Assistant Directors and Assistant Directors have been scheduled to speak at the regional meetings as follows:

February 21-22, 1986, Marriott Grand Hotel, Point Clear, Alabama, Assistant Director Joseph R. Davis;

March 14-15, 1986, Albuquerque Hilton Inn, Albuquerque, New Mexico, Executive Assistant Director Oliver B. Revell;

April 18-19, 1986, Concourse Hotel, Madison, Wisconsin, Assistant Director John Glover;

April 25-26, 1986, Newporter Inn, Newport Beach, California, Executive Assistant Director John E. Otto;

May 16-17, 1986, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Lexington, Kentucky, Assistant Director James Geer;

May 30-June 1, 1986, Fallsview Resort Hotel, Ellenville, New York, Assistant Director Floyd Clarke.

Matters pertaining to the Society of Former Special Agents are coordinated through the Office of the Executive Assistant Director-Administration.

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RICHMOND CHAPTER

August 30, 1986

Dear Members:

The next regular meeting will be held at Byram's Restaurant, 3215 W. Broad, beginning at 11:30AM and lunch promptly at 12 noon. Dues for the coming year will be welcomed. An interesting program is planned.

Please call me or [redacted] by Sept. 10 (The meeting will be on Sept. 11 - sorry forgot that date in above sentence) if you plan to attend.

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Banana #1650
Please return home
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SOCIETY OF FORMER SPECIAL AGENTS
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RICHMOND CHAPTER

May 20, 1987

Dear Member,

The Richmond Chapter will hold a cocktail party on June 12, 1987, from 6:30 to 8:30 PM at The Windsor House, 4601 Lilac Lane, Richmond, Virginia, for members and their spouses.

A fee of \$5.00 per couple (\$2.50 singles) to help cover the expenses is being assessed.

Please forward Ray Geisen a check made out to "Cash" in the appropriate amount for your reservation by June 5, 1987:

Ray Geisen
11011 Triton Circle
Richmond, Virginia 23235.

Due to a conflict of dates with the Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting in the Washington, D.C. area, no luncheon meeting will be held during May.

Sincerely,

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Chairman *cc: JEP*

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RICHMOND CHAPTER
January 4, 1988

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Richmond

SAC Terry T. O'Connor
P. O. Box 12325
Richmond, VA 23241

Dear Terry,

The next regular meeting will be held at Byrams Restaurant, 3215 W. Broad Street, Richmond, VA. on:

Thursday, January 21, 1988

with registration at 11:30 a.m. and lunch at 12:00 noon. Some important matters need to be discussed and your attendance would be appreciated.

One of the matters to be discussed is a letter received from the Vice President, Mid-Atlantic Region wherein he would like to determine if the Richmond membership would consider being the host for the 1989 Regional Meeting of the Society. Since this is a major undertaking which will require a commitment and participation by each member it is suggested that you think about this and let us know your feelings at this meeting. If you are unable to attend, please let me know your views.

Another topic on the agenda will be a proposed trip in March or May 1988 to tour the FBI facilities at Quantico.

Our guest speaker will be [redacted] an IRS official who will talk on the Tax Reform Act of 1986. This is a timely subject since all of us will be looking for information to fill out our 1987 tax returns and perhaps will learn of potential tax shelters which will be available in 1988.

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Please call [redacted] or me by noon January 19, 1988 if you plan to attend.

Andrew Bosco,
Chairman

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Phone: [redacted]
Sheriff [redacted]
Book message [redacted]
for SAC [redacted] to attend [redacted]

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RICHMOND CHAPTER
February 24, 1988

*1988 DUES PAID: N/A *

SAC Terry T. O'Connor
P. O. Box 12325
Richmond, VA 23241

Dear Terry,

The next regular meeting will be held at Byrams Restaurant, 3215 W. Broad Street, Richmond, VA. on:

Thursday, March 17, 1988

with registration at 11:30 a.m. and lunch at 12:00 noon. The management of Byrams has made a request that we park our vehicles on the street; or in the parking lot of Bennett Funeral Home (behind the restaurant on Cutshaw Street).

We have received notification from the National Board of the Society that the Richmond Chapter has been selected as the host for the 1989 Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference.

Our guest speaker for the above luncheon will be [redacted]. [redacted] is the newly elected Vice President of the Mid-Atlantic Region.

Please call [redacted] or me by noon March 15, 1988 if you plan to attend.

[redacted]
Chairman

Phone: [redacted]

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RICHMOND CHAPTER
April 25, 1988

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Terry

SAC Terry T. O'Connor
P. O. Box 12325
Richmond, VA 23241

Dear Terry,

The next regular meeting will be held at Byrams Restaurant, 3215 W. Broad Street, Richmond, VA. on:

Thursday, May 19, 1988

with registration at 11:30 a.m. and lunch at 12:00 noon. The management of Byrams has made a request that we park our vehicles on the street; or in the parking lot of Bennett Funeral Home (behind the restaurant on Cutshaw Street).

During our last meeting an assessment of \$30.00 per member was approved by those in attendance. This assessment is to be used for "up front" expenses for the 1989 Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference to be held in Richmond on April 21-23, 1989. These expenses will include the cost of stationary, stamps, phone calls, typists fees etc. It is expected some of this money will be refunded once the registration fees, etc. are received. If you have not yet contributed, it is requested that you do so as soon as possible.

Our guests at this meeting will include [redacted] Vice President of the Mid-Atlantic Region and James Greenleaf, Assistant Director, FBI Quantico. [redacted] was to attend our last meeting but was hospitalized. He assured me he's well on the road to recovery and will attend. Jim will discuss the facilities at Quantico in anticipation of our trip to Quantico the following week.

The attached flyer sets forth the details of the Quantico trip. It is suggested that you make your reservations early.

Please call [redacted] or me by noon May 17, 1988 if you plan to attend the regular meeting at Byrams.

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Chairman

Phone: [redacted]

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*ASAC [redacted] TFM
Please advise [redacted] that [redacted] should attend
and note on calendar.*

July 19, 1988

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[redacted]
Chairman
Richmond Chapter
Society of Former Special Agents
of the FBI
8314 Charlise Road
Richmond, Virginia 23235

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Dear Mr. [redacted]

Thank you for your kind letter of June 23rd conveying your gratitude for your recent tour of the FBI Academy. I am pleased it was made enjoyable, as well as informative, by the efforts of several of our Agents.

As you know, the Bureau takes great pride in its personnel, and it is always good to have that pride reinforced by commendations of our professionalism and supportive efforts. I will share your generous comments with Assistant Director James Greenleaf and Messrs. John Burke, James O'Connor, [redacted]
[redacted] and [redacted]. I am sure they will join me in thanking you for your thoughtfulness in writing.

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Sincerely yours,

William S. Sessions
William S. Sessions
Director

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1 - Mr. Greenleaf - Enclosure
Personal Attention: Also bring to the attention of DAD James O'Connor, DAD John Joseph Burke, and SSAs [redacted]
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SOCIETY OF FORMER SPECIAL AGENTS OF THE FBI
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June 23, 1988

William S. Sessions, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
10th and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Judge Sessions:

The Richmond, Virginia Chapter of the Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI recently toured the FBI Academy. On behalf of the membership, I would like to convey our gratitude for a most informative, interesting, and enjoyable visit of these facilities.

Assistant Director James Greenleaf was most accommodating in granting and arranging the visit. His prior personal appearance before our group in Richmond was most appreciated.

The Academy officials, Inspectors - Deputy Assistant Director James O'Conner and John Burke, who took time from their daily obligations to address and welcome us, deserve special thanks. Special Agents [redacted] b6
[redacted] and [redacted] did an outstanding job in guiding us through and explaining every facet of this great institution.

We were all proud and favorably impressed by the magnitude and quality of the physical plant, but even more so by the enthusiastic professionalism displayed by the high caliber of the staff members.

The visit rekindled our pride and dedication to the Bureau and left us all with full confidence in the FBI's future under your able direction.

Sincerely,

[redacted]
[redacted] b6
Chairman
Richmond Chapter
Society of Former Special Agents
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SOCIETY OF FORMER SPECIAL AGENTS
OF THE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
RICHMOND CHAPTER
August 31, 1988

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* Special Dues Paid: *

SAC Terry T. O'Connor
P. O. Box 12325
Richmond, VA 23241

Dear Terry,

The next regular meeting will be held at Byrams Restaurant, 3215 W. Broad Street, Richmond, VA. on:

Thursday, Sep. 15, 1988

with registration at 11:30 a.m. and lunch at 12:00 noon. The management of Byramps has made a request that we park our vehicles on the street; or in the parking lot of Bennett Funeral Home (behind the restaurant on Cutshaw Street).

As you know, the Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference will be held in Richmond on April 21-23, 1989, at the Holiday Inn, Southside. We will be discussing the early planning details at the next meeting. We will also be electing new officers for the Chapter.

Please call [redacted] or me by noon Sep. 14, 1988 if you plan to attend the regular meeting at Byrams. b6

Chairman

Phone:

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We regret to report to you the passing of Claude Bass, 74, on August 25, 1988. Claude suffered from congenital heart disease. The society sent flowers. The Society extends its deepest sympathy to the family.

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FROM: Director, FBI

PERSONAL ATTENTIONTO: ALL SACS
ALL LEGATSSOCIETY OF FORMER SPECIAL
AGENTS OF THE FBI, INC.

The Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI has expressed concern regarding the lack of younger members joining the organization. They believe that this is due in part to the lack of communication between the Society and the younger population of Special Agents in the Bureau. The Grass Roots Committee of the Society has developed an idea called the "Alumni Corner" in an effort to remedy this problem. This concept would entail placing a sign -- "Alumni Corner" -- on the principal bulletin boards in field offices and larger Resident Agencies. The signs, as well as clear plastic magazine holders on light chains which will hold a current copy of Grapevine, will be provided by the Society. You would be responsible for having your copy of the magazine placed in the holder each month after you have read it. Also, from time to time, the Society or its individual members will forward articles which its members have written and had published in support of the FBI for posting on this area of the bulletin board. There will be no overt advertisements or messages to recruit Society members.

This concept and permission for the use of the FBI seal on the signs have been approved by the Director. A member of the Society of Former Special Agents will contact you regarding this project. Implementation of the "Alumni Corner" in your office is being left to your discretion.

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SOCIETY OF FORMER SPECIAL AGENTS 80-675
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RICHMOND CHAPTER

December 30, 1988

*1988 DUES PAID: N/A *
*Special Dues Paid: *

SAC Terry T. O'Connor
P. O. Box 12325
Richmond, VA 23241

Dear Terry,

The next regular meeting will be held at Byrams Restaurant, 3215 W. Broad Street, Richmond, VA. on:

Thursday, Jan. 19, 1989

with registration at 11:30 a.m. and lunch at 12:00 noon. The management of Byrams has made a request that we park our vehicles on the street; or in the parking lot of Bennett Funeral Home (behind the restaurant on Cutshaw Street).

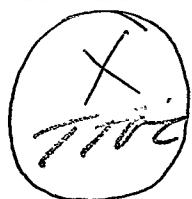
Please call [redacted] or me by noon Jan. 18, 1989 if you plan to attend the regular meeting at Byrams.

[redacted] will be our guest speaker and will show a video of the Miami shoot out.

[redacted],

Chairman

Phone: [redacted]



P. S. 1989 Dues are now due. There are some members who have not paid their 1988 dues. Please note the heading as to your 1988 dues status. Please make checks out to "Society of Former SAs FBI" -- Annual dues are \$5.00; the "Special Dues" are \$30.00 (Regional Conference).

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